

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 5855, Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2013.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3803–S3874

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3271–3281, and S. Res. 486–488. **Pages S3838–39**

Measures Reported:

S. 3276, to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008. (S. Rept. No. 112–174) **Page S3838**

Measures Passed:

Large Air Tankers: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 3261, to allow the Chief of the Forest Service to award certain contracts for large air tankers, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S3870–71**

Making a Technical Correction: Senate passed H.R. 5883, to make a technical correction in Public Law 112–108. **Page S3871**

Making a Technical Correction: Senate passed H.R. 5890, to correct a technical error in Public Law 112–122. **Page S3871**

Honoring the Late Fang Lizhi: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 476, honoring the contributions of the late Fang Lizhi to the people of China and the cause of freedom, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S3871–72**

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Fire: Senate agreed to S. Res. 488, commending the efforts of the firefighters and emergency response personnel of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut, who came together to extinguish the May 23, 2012, fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine. **Pages S3872–73**

Measures Considered:

Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3240, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017. **Pages S3803–35**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 90 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. 117), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S3807–08**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that if cloture is not invoked on the nomination of Andrew David Hurwitz, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Senate agree to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, June 12, 2012; and that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Andrew David Hurwitz, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, that upon the disposition of the nomination, Senate agree to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S3835**

Hurwitz Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Andrew David Hurwitz, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Page S3835**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Monday, June 11, 2012. **Page S3835**

A unanimous-consent-time-agreement was reached providing that at 4:30 p.m., on Monday, June 11, 2012, there be up to 60 minutes of debate on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination, equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate

vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination. **Page S3835**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mignon L. Clyburn, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2012.

Stephen Crawford, of Maryland, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for the remainder of the term expiring December 8, 2015.

John M. Koenig, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cyprus.

6 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.

4 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Foreign Service, and Navy. **Pages S3873–74**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Terence Francis Flynn, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2015, which was sent to the Senate on January 5, 2011.

Terence Francis Flynn, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2015 (Recess Appointment), which was sent to the Senate on February 13, 2012.

Roslyn Ann Mazer, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security, which was sent to the Senate on July 21, 2011. **Page S3874**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—117) **Page S3808**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 5:23 p.m., until 2:00 p.m. on Monday, June 11, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3873.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON AMERICA'S NUCLEAR FUTURE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety concluded a hearing to examine recommendations from the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future for a consent-based approach to siting nuclear waste storage and management facilities, after receiving testimony from S. Andrew Orrell, Director, Nuclear Energy and Fuel Cycle Programs, Sandia National Laboratories, Department of Energy; David A. Wright, South Carolina Public Service Commissioner, on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, and Geoffrey H. Fettus, Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc., all of Washington, D.C.; General Brent Scowcroft, Scowcroft Group, Washington, D.C., and Per Peterson, University of California, Berkley, both of the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future; Eric Howes, Maine Yankee, Wiscasset; and Daniel S. Metlay, U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board, Arlington, Virginia.

CIVIL SOCIETY IN CUBA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Global Narcotics Affairs concluded a hearing to examine countering repression and strengthening civil society in Cuba, after receiving testimony from Roberta S. Jacobson, Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs; and Normando Hernandez Gonzalez, National Endowment for Democracy, Washington, D.C.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND REFORM

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Universal Service Fund Reform, focusing on ensuring a sustainable and connected future for native communities, after receiving testimony from Mignon L. Clyburn, Federal Communications Commission; Jonathan Adelstein, Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture; Alfred LaPaz, Mescalero Apache Tribal Council, and Godfrey Enjady, Mescalero Apache Telecom, Inc., both of Mescalero, New Mexico; Stephen Merriam, Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc., Anchorage, Alaska; Albert S. N. Hee, Sandwich Isles Communications, Inc., Honolulu, Hawaii; and Shirley Bloomfield, National Telecommunications Cooperative Association, Arlington, Virginia.